



“I Am the Good Shepherd”

John 10:1-16

Old Testament Prophecy of the Shepherd

- Isa. 40:9-11 - “O Zion, You who bring good tidings, Get up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, You who bring good tidings, Lift up your voice with strength, Lift it up, be not afraid; Say to the cities of Judah, Behold your God! 10 Behold, the Lord GOD shall come with a strong hand, And His arm shall rule for Him; Behold, His reward is with Him, And His work before Him. 11 He will feed His flock like a shepherd; He will gather the lambs with His arm, And carry them in His bosom, And gently lead those who are with young.”

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- Jer. 31:10 - “Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, And declare it in the isles afar off, and say, He who scattered Israel will gather him, And keep him as a shepherd does his flock.”
- Ez. 34:23 - “I will establish one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them-My servant David. He shall feed them and be their shepherd.”

New Testament Revelation of Jesus as the Shepherd

- John 10:1-16
- 1Peter 5:4 - “And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away.”
- Heb. 13:20 - “Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant”

Jesus Is Our Shepherd

- He gave His life for us
 - Zech. 13:1, 6-7 - “In that day a fountain shall be opened for the house of David and for the inhabitants of Jerusalem, for sin and for uncleanness... 6 And one will say to him, What are these wounds between your arms? Then he will answer, Those with which I was wounded in the house of my friends. 7 Awake, O sword, against My Shepherd, Against the Man who is My Companion, Says the LORD of hosts. Strike the Shepherd, And the sheep will be scattered; Then I will turn My hand against the little ones.”

Jesus Is Our Shepherd

- He gave His life for us
 - Matt. 26:31 - “Then Jesus said to them, All of you will be made to stumble because of Me this night, for it is written: I will strike the Shepherd, And the sheep of the flock will be scattered.”
 - John 10:11, 15 - “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep... 15 As the Father knows Me, even so I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep.”

Jesus Is Our Shepherd

- By this, He offers eternal life to His sheep
 - John 10:28 - “And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.”
 - 1John 5:11-13 - “And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. 12 He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. 13 These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.”

Jesus Is Our Shepherd

- He takes care of us
 - John 10:3 - “To him the doorkeeper opens, and the sheep hear his voice; and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.”
 - 2Thes. 2:13-14 - “But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth, 14 to which He called you by our gospel, for the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Jesus Is Our Shepherd

- He gathers us into one fold
 - John 10:16 - “And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear My voice; and there will be one flock and one shepherd.”
 - Eph. 2:11-22 - “Therefore remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh--who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands--
- 12 that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.”

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- He knows us
 - John 10:14, 27 - “I am the good shepherd; and I know My sheep, and am known by My own... 27 My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.”
 - 2Tim. 2:19 - “Nevertheless the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: The Lord knows those who are His...”

Jesus Is Our Shepherd

- He feeds us
 - John 10:9 - “I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture.”
 - Psalm 23:1-2 - “The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. 2 He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters.”

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- He guides us
 - John 10:3-4 - “To him the doorkeeper opens, and the sheep hear his voice; and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4 And when he brings out his own sheep, he goes before them; and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice.”
 - Psalm 23:3 - “He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness For His name's sake.”

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- He cherishes us tenderly
 - Isa. 40:11 - “He will feed His flock like a shepherd; He will gather the lambs with His arm, And carry them in His bosom, And gently lead those who are with young.”
 - Eph. 5:25-27 - “Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, 26 that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, 27 that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.”

Jesus Is Our Shepherd

- He protects and preserves
 - Jer. 31:10 - “Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, And declare it in the isles afar off, and say, He who scattered Israel will gather him, And keep him as a shepherd does his flock.”
 - Jude 24 - “Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, And to present you faultless Before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy”



We Are His Sheep

- Heed His voice
 - John 10:2-3 - “But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. 3 To him the doorkeeper opens, and the sheep hear his voice; and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.”
- His sheep follow Him because they know His voice
 - John 10:4 - “And when he brings out his own sheep, he goes before them; and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice.”

We Are His Sheep

- Jesus expects His sheep to heed His voice
 - Luke 6:46 - “But why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do the things which I say?”
- We are called by His spokesmen
 - John 13:20 - “Most assuredly, I say to you, he who receives whomever I send receives Me; and he who receives Me receives Him who sent Me”

We Are His Sheep

- We are called by His spokesmen
 - Acts 2:42 - “And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.”
 - 1Cor. 14:37 - “If anyone thinks himself to be a prophet or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things which I write to you are the commandments of the Lord.”

We Are His Sheep

- Hold to His flock
 - John 10:16 - “And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear My voice; and there will be one flock and one shepherd.”
 - Eph. 4:4 - “There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling”

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- A unified flock
 - John 17:20-23 - “I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; 21 that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me. 22 And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: 23 I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.”

We Are His Sheep

- A unified flock
 - Eph. 4:1-3 - “I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, 2 with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, 3 endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.”

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- Help His shepherds
 - 1Peter 5:1-4 - “The elders who are among you I exhort, I who am a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that will be revealed: 2 Shepherd the flock of God which is among you, serving as overseers, not by compulsion but willingly, not for dishonest gain but eagerly; 3 nor as being lords over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock; 4 and when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away.”

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- Help His shepherds
 - Acts 20:28 - “Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.”
 - Heb. 13:17 - “Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you.”



We Are His Sheep

- Help His shepherds
 - 1Thes. 5:12-13 - “And we urge you, brethren, to recognize those who labor among you, and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, 13 and to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. Be at peace among yourselves.”

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- Promises for those who follow Jesus our Shepherd
 - Rev. 7:13-17 - “Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from? 14 And I said to him, Sir, you know. So he said to me, These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. 15 Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple. And He who sits on the throne will dwell among them. 16 They shall neither hunger anymore nor thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any heat; 17 for the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

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- Warnings for those who will not follow the Shepherd
 - John 10:26-27 - “But you do not believe, because you are not of My sheep, as I said to you. 27 My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.”

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- Warnings for those who will not follow the Shepherd
 - Matt. 13:41-43 - “The Son of Man will send out His angels, and they will gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and those who practice lawlessness, 42 and will cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth. 43 Then the righteous will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!”

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- Warnings for those who will not follow the Shepherd
 - Matt. 25:31-34, 41 - “When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. 32 All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. 33 And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. 34 Then the King will say to those on His right hand, Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world... 41 Then He will also say to those on the left hand, Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels”